Cortland E. Berry

Emergency Cease and Desist Order

DATE: March 11, 2003 RESPONDENTS: Cortland E. Berry of Wichita, Kansas

ALLEGATIONS: Unregistered broker-dealer or agent and unregistered securities

ORDER: Emergency Cease and Desist Order issued to Berry, a suspended Kansas attorney, alleged that on or about March 2, 2003, Berry offered an investment opportunity to Kansas residents in the Wichita *Eagle* newspaper. The investment contract offered a 300% return for a \$6,000 investment to cover publishing costs for a magazine to be issued in the Wichita area. The Commissioner further alleged that neither the investments nor Berry were duly registered in violation of the Kansas Securities Act. Mr. Berry was ordered to cease and desist from further violations.

Notice to Investors: If you are not a resident of Kansas and have been affected by actions that are similar to those described in this synopsis, you should consider contacting your state securities regulator for assistance. To locate your securities regulator, go to the North American Securities Administrators Association website. If you choose to contact your state securities regulator, please inform him or her of the action taken by the State of Kansas.